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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Masaru ISHIHARA et al.

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# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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SIR:

Applicant(s) wish to disclose the following information.

#### REFERENCES

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the references listed on the attached form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed references are attached, where required, as are either statements of relevancy or any readily available English translations of pertinent portions of any non-English language references.
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- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
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# STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

References AA-AC, AO and AW-AX cited by the Examiner in related case Serial No. 08/900,124 filed July 25, 1997.